खाद्य मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री कल्प नाथ राय) : (क) और (ख) प्लांट और मशीनरी का आधुनिकीकरण/पुनर्स्थापन करने और अपने परिचालन क्षेत्र मे गन्ना विकास की योजनाएं चलाने के लिए विभिन्न चीनी मिलों को 15-7-93 से 30-6-94 तक की अवधि के दौरान चीनी विकास निधि से कुल 110.08 करोड़ रुपए के ऋण वितरित किए गए है ।

(ग) और (घ) पिछले 5 वर्षों के लिए प्रति हेक्टेयर पैदावार निम्नानुसार है :—

(टन प्रति हेक्टेयर)

वर्ष	पैदावार
1989-90	65.61
1990-91	55.40
1991-92	66.06
1992-93	63.81
1993-94 (अनन्तिम)	67.21

जैसा कि उपर्यक्त से स्पष्ट है कि 1990-91 और 1992-93 के दौरान 1989-90 की तुलना में प्रति हेक्टेयर पैदावार मे मामूली गिरावट हुई थी । तथापि, 1993-94 के दौरान प्रति हेक्टेयर उत्पादन (अनन्तिम) 1989-90 के प्रति हेक्टेयर उत्पादन मे अधिक था ।

(ङ) आठवीं योजना के लिए गन्ने के उत्पादन के लिए 275 मिलियन मीटरी टन का लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया गया था ।

Levy-free sale of sugar

512. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to change the levy-freesale, ratio of sugar in the country.

(b) if so, what are the reason therefor; and

(c) what is the current ratio and the proposed changed ratio?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b) In order to meet the requirements of the public distribution system various opions including the change of levy-freesale ratio is under consideration of the Government.

(c) The current ratio of levy-free sale sugar is 40 : 60.

Enhancement of quota of foodgrains for Maharashtra

513. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal under consideraion of Government for the enhancement of quota of foodgrains to the State of Maharashtra due to increase in population of the State according to the 1991 census;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Allocations of foodgrains (rice and wheat) from the Central Pool are made to the various States/Union Territories including Maharashtra on a month to month basis taking into account the stocks available in the Central Pool, seasonal availability, offtake trend, relative needs of various States/Union Territories and other related factors. The procurement of rice and wheat for the Central Pool for the last few years having been only about 13-18 per cent of the total production of rice and wheat in the country, these allocations are only supplemental in nature and are not made on the basis of population.